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FIFTEEN WOMEN IN GARMENT SCHOOL

AT THE FARM BUREAU TODAY UNTIL FRIDAY.

8 CLUBS REPRESENTED

Miss Lois Martin of University of Missouri Is in Charge of the Class.

The garment school, which is being conducted at the Farm Bureau office, started its four day session this morning. Miss Lois Martin, of the Home Economics Extension Service of the University of Missouri, is in charge. On each of the four days different matters in the making of garments will be taken up. The meeting today deals with the foundation pattern. Careful measurements are taken of each woman and a waist and skirt cut from paper cambric. These are then basted, the seams removed and the cambric kept as a pattern.

Tomorrow the subject of the school will be undergarments, Thursday it will be the housedress and Friday the school will close with designing with the use of the foundation pattern.

The Farm Bureau office looked more like a women sewing room than anything else. Sewing machines, tables, ironing boards ,mirrors and countless other things have been placed in the office and all of the furniture which is usually there has been moved into the health office where Mr. Kinnaird and his stenographer will work for these four days.

Eight clubs are represented at the school. From these clubs there are fifteen delegates to the school. In addition to this number six visitors spent the morning watching the work.

Those enrolled from the different clubs follow:

Rockford—Mrs. Jerry Fisher and Mrs. Cora Crawford.

C. C. Club of Swallow—Mrs. Jim Evans and Mrs. Ernest Stafford.

L. A. W. Club of Myrtle Tree; Mrs. Tom O'Day and Miss Lila Dowden.

B. B. Club of Scudder—Mrs. Edward Russel.

Herron—Mrs. Virgil Guthrie and Mrs. L. E. Rogers.

Highland—Mrs. Pat Farrens and Mrs. J. C. Chestnut.

Lasher—Miss Helen Strauch and Mrs. Byron Masters.

White Cloud—Mrs. W. R. Hukill and Mrs. Charles Rice.

The visitors were Miss Gertrude Gray, Mrs. Orb Griffey, Mrs. S. E. Fisher, Miss Margaret Dean, Mrs. F. M. Ripley and Mrs. Frank Gray.

DRAMATICS CLUB WILL GIVE PLAY AT ST MARYS

"The Arizona Sheriff" to be Presented Next Monday Evening at Church Hall.

The Wonder Why Dramatics Club of the St. Mary's Parish will present a four act western play next Monday evening at the Church entitled 'The Arizona Sheriff.' The play is in charge of Noah Thompson.

The story on which the action is based is a love affair between the new Sheriff of Arizona and the pretty ranch owner, Miss Marguerite Moore. A great deal of western action and gun play is mixed in with the plot when the sheriff rescues the girl from the cattle theives.

The cast follows:

Farley Gantt, The Cowboy Sheriff—Geo. F. Thompson.

Paul Quillian, His Partner — Ralph Lahr.

Duke Blackshear, a stranger from Frisco—Anthony Blatter.

Hezekiah Bugg, a glorious liar—N. B. Thompson.

Yow Kee, a heethan Chinese — Joe Thompson.

Big Elk, a Navajo chief — Herman Linnaman.

Grizzly Grimm, a cattle thief—Chris Zimmerman.

Marguerite Moore, the pretty ranch owner—Mary Thompson.

Mrs. Petunia Bugg, from old Indiana —Agatha Kroetch.

Coralie Blackshear, Duke's sister—Margaret Sturm.

Fawn Afraid, an Indian maid—Laura Thompson.

Young-un, not much of anybody—Edna Thompson.

First Marriage License

The first marriage license issued this year by the new recorder of deeds, Mrs. Mamie E. Clardy, was to C. E. Johnson of St. Joseph and Eldora Hankins of Quitman.

I've Arrived in Town With A Summons!

That means that every man, woman and child who reads this paper is instructed to heed my counsel. As director general of the Official Community Sale, formal announcement of which will be made in a forthcoming issue of this paper, I will say that your merchants have cooperated with me most whole-heartedly in forcing prices to the lowest marks in years.

While values are extreme, quality remains at the same high standard — as always. Look through this paper tomorrow and in following issues — if economy means anything to you.

(Signed) The Official Community Cop.

PLAN ASSOCIATED CHARITIES HERE

IDEA IS PRESENTED AT C. OF C. LAST NIGHT

MEETS WITH APPROVAL

Lumping Local Benevolences Thought To Be Feasible—Investigating Committee Appointed

The idea of an "associated charities" campaign with either the township or county as the unit, to be used in future benevolent drives, was presented to the members of the Chamber of Commerce at their weekly luncheon last night. The suggestion was made by C. Edwin Wells, of the States Teachers College, chairman of the 1922 Salvation Army drive and connected with several other phases of charity work in the past.

The idea as suggested by Mr. Wells is briefly: that every committee be appointed with a member from each of the townships and towns of the county, that every charitable organization coming in the county during the year, present to this committee the amount they can reasonably expect to raise for that year, and for the committee to pass upon the reasonableness of their askings, then to make careful advertising and soliciting plans for campaign; raise the amount of associated charities for the year during one campaign and apportion the money received to the various charities. This plan would accomplish in one campaign what has been done in the past in several campaigns.

After the presentation of the idea by Mr. Wells, a general discussion was held. The idea was new to most of the members, but the majority endorsed the theory. President Wolfers said the theory sounded good and it would be fine if we could accomplish in one campaign what had taken several in the past.

"It is unquestionably the best thing to do," said M. E. Ford. O. L. Curl, prosecuting attorney, who had considerable experience in charity work in Louisville, Ky., said it would weed out the unworthy and unreasonable charities. He suggested that the idea be started with the township as the unit. Associated charities drives as used in Kansas City, Chicago and elsewhere were discussed by W. O. Garrett, Rev. J. A. Cooper and others.

Following the discussion a committee was appointed, composed of L. B. Tracy, C. Edwin Wells, and Rev. J. A. Cooper to investigate all phases of the proposed plan and report to the Chamber at a future meeting.

Frank Mapel returned to Jamesport today after a few days visit in Maryville with his brother, William Mapel.

SOME OPINIONS ON THE ASSOCIATED CHARITIES

In order to get the sentiment of those interested and experienced in different kinds of charity work upon the new idea advanced last night of an associated charities drive for non-sectarian, non-denominational benevolences in Maryville or Nodaway County during 1923, several men were asked to give their opinions to-day. Most of them had not given the matter any thought and their opinions were first impressions of the proposed idea. The following are some of the opinions:

S. H. Kemp, of the Farmers Trust Company, who has had much experience in past benevolent drives, declared this morning that the associated charities idea was a great scheme. "We should by all means institute this system for the 1923 campaigns," he said. "It would give the people of the county an idea of what was expected from them during the year. The one drive would cover everything, procure a better fund, and do it in one-fourth the time it takes in individual campaigns. The five major benevolences of the county should be included."

"I would make the organization county wide by all means. In this way the county charities could be taken care of, and the individual local charities could be taken care of by each individual town. More money could be procured by combined efforts and contributions would be secured from sources that could not otherwise be reached."

Fred P. Robinson, mayor and in charge of the welfare work of Maryville, said this morning that he had never given the idea of associated charities much thought, but believed it would be feasible here. "Associated charities in the city have a two fold purpose," said Mr. Robinson. "First to take care of the deserving and worthy poor, and secondly to protect the public against unworthy causes, of which there are a great many during the year."

Conrad Yehle in speaking of the proposed associated charities, said, "I heartily favor the budget system of all charities to be presented to a central committee, either from the town or the county. I think the county as a unit would be the most desirable if possible, if not then an organization of Maryville. Such action of associated benevolences would eliminate many of the unworthy causes and many worthy causes would be taken care of that are now turned down by individuals.

Rev. S. Allison, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, expressed himself as favoring the movement. "One thing that is needed here as badly as anything is consolidation of action. Great conservation of energy could be brought about and released for other purposes if activities of similar nature can be combined. I believe that the county would be hard to get together

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RACE RIOT BREWING IN SAPULPA, OKLA.

ONE POLICEMAN KILLED AND FOUR WOUNDED LAST NIGHT.

MOB SURROUNDS BLACKS

Buildings are Burned and City Is at Fever Heat This Afternoon—Lynching Feared.

Tulsa, Jan. 2 (Bulletin)—While hundreds of armed whites surrounded the negro section of Sapulpa, near here, the mob burned three buildings belonging to John Glass, negro undertaker. The burning came to avenge the murder of one policeman and the wounding of four others by negroes last night. A strong explosion was felt when the buildings burned, but none of the whites were injured.

Police report Sapulpa comparatively quiet this afternoon, although guards continue to patrol the streets and roads leading into the citl. The city is at a fever heat and lynching of the negroes, who shot the policemen, is feared if they can be found.

Tulsa, Okla., Jan. 2.—With 400 white men, heavily armed at Sapulpa, 20 miles west of here, and according to the report, with the avowed intention of wiping out the black belt, following the shooting of five policemen last night, with one killed and four wounded, the situation was tense today. Early in the morning the whites surrounded the negro section and the least provocation may precipitate a race riot. Officials say that the situation has eased off, and that there will probably be no further trouble if the hot heads can be controlled.

REVIVAL STARTS OFF WELL AT CLEARMONT

Good Crowds are in Attendance at Union Meetings There—Tillman R. Braddy, the Evangelist.

The Tabernacle Union Revival at Clearmont opened Sunday night with the Tillman R. Braddy evangelistic party in charge. All of the churches in Clearmont as well as many in the community surrounding Clearmont are sponsoring the meeting. The preaching is being done by Tillman R. Braddy with Mrs. Braddy as soloist and B. E. Ingram as director of music.

At the opening meeting Sunday, a good crowd was in attendance. There was a delegation present from Burlington Junction. The choir has 100 voices. There is also a junior choir. Meetings will be held every night this week and delegations are expected from Braddyville and New Market. There will be no meeting next Monday evening. The revival will continue until January 28. The tabernacle will seat 1,000 people.

PIERCE BUTLER IS SWORN IN AS ASSOCIATE JUSTICE TODAY

Washington, Jan. 2—Pierce Butler was sworn in this afternoon as associate justice of the United States Supreme Court. The oath was administered by Chief Justice Taft. Butler succeeds William Day, who resigned.

FIFTEEN INJURED WHEN DIXIE FLYER IS DERAILED IN GA.

Macon, Ga., Jan. 2—Fifteen persons including the engineer, conductor and fireman were seriously injured when the Dixie Flyer, from Jacksonville to Chicago, was derailed about six miles from here this morning. Nine coaches left the track and turned over and six dropped down a twelve foot embankment. The most seriously injured is Mrs. Kitchens of Wacores, Ga. Several others seriously injured were brought here for treatment.

TONY DINELLO GIVEN 50 YEARS IN PEN FOR KILLING DAUGHTER

Kansas City, Kan., Jan. 2—Fifty years in the penitentiary was the sentence given in Wyandotte County criminal court today to Tony Dinello, convicted slayer of his 11 year old daughter, Florence, some time ago. The sentence was passed after the court had overruled a motion for a new trial.

Half Inch Snow—28 Degrees

Maryville had twice as much snow last night as it has had at any previous time this winter, J. R. Brink, weather observer registered the amount of snow this morning as a half inch. The only previous snow on record this winter was .25 of an inch earlier in the winter. The lowest temperature was registered last night as 28 degrees.

SEC. FALL RESIGNS FROM THE CABINET

INTERIOR DEPARTMENT HEAD TO LEAVE OFFICIAL FAMILY

REFUSED A JUSTICE JOB

Harding Accepts Resignation Effective March 4. Fall Will Return To Private Life

Washington, D. C., Jan. 2—Bulletin: Secretary of the Interior, Albert M. B. Fall has submitted his resignation effective March 4 next, and it has been accepted by President Harding, it was officially announced at the White House today.

Secretary Fall is the second cabinet member to resign since the Harding administration, the other being Will Hays, who resigned as Postmaster-General to go to the movie dictatorship.

Simultaneous with the announcement of Fall's resignation, it was announced at the White House that Harding had offered his resigning secretary a seat on the United States Supreme Court, but it was rejected by Fall, who said that he desired to leave public life and to devote his entire time to personal affairs.

The announcement of Secretary Fall's resignation by the White House, confirmed the understanding prevalent in cabinet circles for some months, that Fall would retire from office after two years of service. When he entered the office in March, 1921, it was only upon the earnest solicitations of Harding and informed friends that he had accepted it only for two years. The two years expire on March 4, next. It was emphatically denied at the White House that there had been any measure of disagreement or conflict of policies between President Harding and Secretary Fall. They have been close personal friends for a long time.

ISSUE BATTERY UNIFORMS AT DRILL HELD TONIGHT

No Drill Last Night Because Captain Maynor Was Out of the City

Capt. E. A. Maynor of Battery C announced this morning that part of the personal equipment for each of the enlisted men of the battery would be given out to the men tonight. It is probable that only the uniforms will be issued.

The equipment that has arrived includes hats, blouses, shirts, breeches leggins, shoes, overcoats, raincoats, haversacks, cartridge belts, mess kits, tents and poles, blankets and other supplies.

Still other supplies are on the way and are expected to arrive in Maryville in the next week or so. Most of this stuff, however, deals with the French 75s, with which the battery will be equipped. For a while this will not be needed as there are some matters of foot instruction yet to be gone over.

The drill tonight will be held in place of the one which was to have been held last night. Due to the fact that it was New Years night and that Captain Maynor was out of the city, the drill was not held last night.

BEARCAT BASKETEERS GUESTS AT DE MOLAY RABBIT SUPPER

Sixty Bunnies Have Been Waylaid and Will Be Served at Supper Toniyht—Initiation Follows

The members of the State Teachers College basketball team will be the guests of honor at the De Molay rabbit supper which will be held tonight at 9 o'clock at the Pennington restaurant. Sixty rabbits have been killed and are today being prepared for the supper which will be held immediately following the De Molay installation of officers. It will be held at the K. P. Hall at 8 o'clock.

THREE KILLED AND SEVEN ARE INJURED IN AIR TANK BREAK.

Sharoff, Pa., Jan. 2.—John Sfalie, 26 and two unidentified foreigners, were killed and seven others injured today at the Petroleum Iron Works, at Petroleum, two miles from here, when an air pressure tank of 160 tons collapsed on a gang of workmen.

Miss Baker Leaves

Miss Helen Baker, who spent the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Baker, returned to Kansas City yesterday afternoon where she teaches in the public schools.

ANOTHER MISSING MAN'S BODY IS FOUND IN LOUISIANA TODAY

Is Believed to Be That of Geo. Atwell, Who Disappeared Last March—Hooded Band Suspected

Selma, La., Jan. 2—Authorities today, in finding the body of a man believed to be that of Geo. Atwell, 65, who disappeared last March, are working on the theory that he may have been a victim of the same masked band that made away with Watt Daniels and Charles Richards at Mer Rouge.

The body was found in a cornfield. On a nearby tree was found a dangling rope and on it what appeared to be a human hair. Authorities believe that he was lynched.

BIG BLANKET OF PROTECTION FOR MER ROUGE WITNESSES

Every Possible Protection to Prevent Reign of Terror Before Preliminary Hearing Friday

Mer Rouge, La., Jan. 2—A far flung blanket of government protection covered officials in Morehouse Parish, preliminary to the actions which might launch a reign of terror among state witness who will testify Friday in the hearing at Bastrop in connection with the murder of Watt Daniels and Charles Richards by the hooded band.

The state and federal authorities expect to produce evidence that will involve the Ku Klux Klan in the slaying. A statewide dragnet has been thrown out by the government in an attempt to find Harold Teegerstrom, 19-year old, time-keeper of a carbon plant at Spyker, who was kidnapped from his home Friday. Federal agents openly charge that he was spirited away to prevent his appearance and testimony at the preliminary hearing.

The disappearance of Harold Teegerstrom was declared by operatives of the Department of Justice as a retaliatory blow from the Klan because of the arrest of Dr. McKoin, former officer of the Klan, in Baltimore and T. Jack Barnett, formerly deputy sheriff, on a murder charge. To prevent the disappearance of other witnesses, federal authorities have armed civilians and state troops are guarding the remaining witnesses.

First clues have been unearthed as to the whereabouts of the missing boy. It is thought that he has departed for Pittsburgh or some point in Virginia to stay with relatives and friends until after the hearing and the trial. Federal agents all along the way are being instructed to locate him, and a strenuous effort will be made for his return to testify, if he can be found.

The plans of officials here have been altered since his disappearance. Instead of wholesale arrests of suspects, they intend to arrest suspects from time to time as names are involved in the hearing, so it may furnish additional protection for witnesses.

NEIGHBORS COME AND GATHER THE CORN OF LILBOURN GRIMES

Neighbors of Lilbourn Grimes, came to his farm yesterday and gathered his corn for him. Mr. Grimes was injured some time ago in a runaway and was in the hospital for two weeks. Those who helped gather his corn were: Leslie McGinnis, Dale McGinnis, Noah Clemens and son, Otis Lyle and Cephus Stepheus. Mr. Grimes lives eight miles south of Maryville.

EXECUTOR OF DEFUNCT BANK NAMED BY FINANCE OFFICER.

Jefferson City, Jan. 2.—R. E. Shelby of Maysville, was appointed special officer in charge of the affairs of the DeKalb County Bank at Maysville, which closed its doors a week ago. The appointment was made by state finance officer, Frank Millspaugh.

HERRIN TRIAL IS RESUMED AT MARION, ILLINOIS TODAY.

Marion, Ill., Jan. 2.—The Herrin massacre trial was resumed today. It was announced that there would be no more recesses. The taking of testimony will probably consume more than two weeks additional time.

Will Attend Wentworth.

Ethelbert Wright, son of Deputy County Clerk Fred Wright, left Sunday for Lexington, Mo., where he will attend Wentworth Military Academy.

Miss Dorothy Bridgmon of Bigelow, who spent the week end as the guest of Miss Laura Margaret Raines, returned home yesterday. Miss Bridgmon will return to Fulton tomorrow where she is a senior at William Woods College.

H. E. Wiles filed a suit on a note against G. W. Stafford in the office of Circuit Clerk Virgil Rathbun today.

3 DEBT PLANS ARE BEFORE PREMIERS

ALLIED CONFERENCE OPENS IN PARIS TODAY.

FIRST SESSION 2 HOURS

Bonar Law, Poincare and Della Torretta Each Present Plans for German Reparation Payment.

Paris, Jan. 2.—Three different sets of plans for the payment of the German reparation was submitted this afternoon at the first meeting of the Allied premiers here. They were handed in by Premier Andrew Bonar Law, Premier Poincare of France and Marquis Della Torretta of Italy. The session lasted two hours and adjournment was taken for the afternoon at 4:20 o'clock.

L'Instrineant printed a sensational story that, "An American observer would make an important announcement to the conference tomorrow." In view of the fact that there are no observers on the ground now, this statement was shrouded in the greatest mystery. The American embassy professed entire ignorance of such a statement. Premier Poincare will entertain at dinner for the delegates.

MILLIONAIRE'S MURDER CHARGE DISMISSED- LACK OF EVIDENCE

Prosecuting Attorney After Reviewing Evidence, Says Walter S. Ward Couldn't Be Convicted

White Plains, N. Y., Jan. 2—The indictment of first degree murder against Walter S. Ward, millionaire head of the Ward Baking Powder Company, was dismissed today by Judge A. F. Seegar on the grounds of insufficient evidence to go on trial.

Ward was accused of the murder of Clarence Peter on a lonely road on May 17, near White Plains. Ward had alleged that Peters was a member of a band who had tried to blackmail him. Former justice Issa Mills, chief counsel for Ward, and district attorney, Arthur Roand, of Westchester County, said they had studied the evidence and were convinced that it was not sufficient to convict.

FOUR MORE IRREGULARS ARE EXECUTED IN IRELAND TODAY

Free State Government Punishes Four Irregulars for Activities in Guerilla Warfare.

Dublin, Jan. 2.—The iron hand of the Free State military punishment, fell upon republican irregulars today when four men were privately executed at Kerry.

The men executed were: Mathew Morety, Thomas De Vane, Cornelius Casey and Dermot O'Conner. All were members of a republican guerilla band that had been harassing the wilds of western Ireland. The executions came as reprisals for the actions of the irregulars. A public warning was issued three weeks ago, that the men held as hostages would be executed, if attacks continued. Numerous attacks followed. The military council met and decided upon execution of De Vane, Casey, O'Conner and Morety, and they were shot.

K. C. WOMAN IN HOSPITAL, HER HUSBAND ACCUSED OF SHOOTING

Kansas City, Jan. 2—Mrs. Agnes Lynch, 30, is in the General Hospital today and her husband, Harry Lynch, is under arrest charged with the shooting. The woman was shot at the home of the couple early today. The police were told the couple had quarreled on various occasions and Lynch had frequently threatened to kill his wife.

CASE OF VIRGIL GRAY IS CONTINUED TILL WEDNESDAY.

The case of the City of Maryville against Virgil Gray, on a liquor charge which was to have been heard this morning, was continued until tomorrow morning. Gray was represented in police court by William G. Sawyers.

New Year's Guest.

Clarence C. Poe of St. Joseph, was a guest over New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Ellwood Barrett and family. He returned home today. Mr. Poe is a jeweler and is employed by the Gordon Jewelry Co., of St. Joseph.

THE WEATHER FORECAST

Generally fair tonight and Wednesday; colder tonight and in the east and extreme south portions Wednesday.

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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN NODAWAY COUNTY

ASTOUNDING REVELATIONS

Washington, Dec. 30—"Happy New Year! and have another drink!" That's the familiar greeting this week in Washington, capital of the nation, headquarters of the national prohibition staff that costs the taxpayers $10,000,000, and supposed center from where all law enforcement radiates. A bootlegger meets you in the lobby of the United States capital and solicits your business. Agents of wholesale bootleggers have furnished their customers with printed price lists.

New York, Dec. 30—The subchaser Hansen, "federal dry navy," was tied up at the Battery with engines disabled long enough for fifteen rum runners to slip into port with nearly seven million dollars worth of liquor. It was understood that a mysterious order had been received on the Hansen to have her engines repaired, but the authority for the order could not be learned. Federal Prohibition Zone Chief Appleby was amazed when he learned that the Hansen, flagship of his "dry fleet," was tied up at the pier. "I thought she was out patrolling the Narrows," he explained. It was discovery of twenty cases of liquor in the crew's quarters on the Hansen that revealed this situation.

The above are just a few lines from the many stories telling of failure of prohibition enforcement. Hints of connivance in official circles and the disregard for the Eighteenth amendment by those in high places have a decidedly detrimental effect upon the efforts of law enforcement officers.

With information like that being broadcast, is it any wonder that prohibition becomes the butt of jokes?—Omaha World-Herald.

FIRST TELEPHONE EXCHANGES USED SUBSCRIBER'S NAMES.

Columbus, O., Jan. 2.—"Neither telephone operators nor subscribers today know what trouble in connection with the use of phones is," declared W. D. McKinney, of Columbus, secretary of the Southern Ohio Coal Exchange. McKinney is one of the pioneer telephone men of Ohio.

"When I first started work as a telephone operator I was a boy," said Secretary McKinney. "Women then used to faint when they heard a voice at the other end of the line. They thought it was supernatural.

"The exchanges were Bedlam. Girls were not employed. They wouldn't have been able to stand the strain. The old Bell and Edison companies in the seventies hired boys, preferably thick-skinned, to handle the calls. They stood in a row along the board. When a call came in a boy would yell at another down the board: 'Give me Old Man Hawkins!' The calls had to be crossed between the boards. At first there were no numbers. Names were used.

"Since there were only boys in the exchange subscribers were free to express themselves.

"Competition was so keen that in Dayton, where I entered the business, we used to install phones free. The offer from the Edison company was: 'Put a telephone in your office, and we'll put one in your home free'," said Secretary McKinney.

Presence of Mind.

New York, Jan. 2.—A gas oven in a bakery shop exploded recently, hurling the baker into the street and starting a raging conflagration.

The baker viewed the flaming inferno ruefully, then his face kindled into a smile.

"By George, I just got out in time, didn't I?" he said.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.

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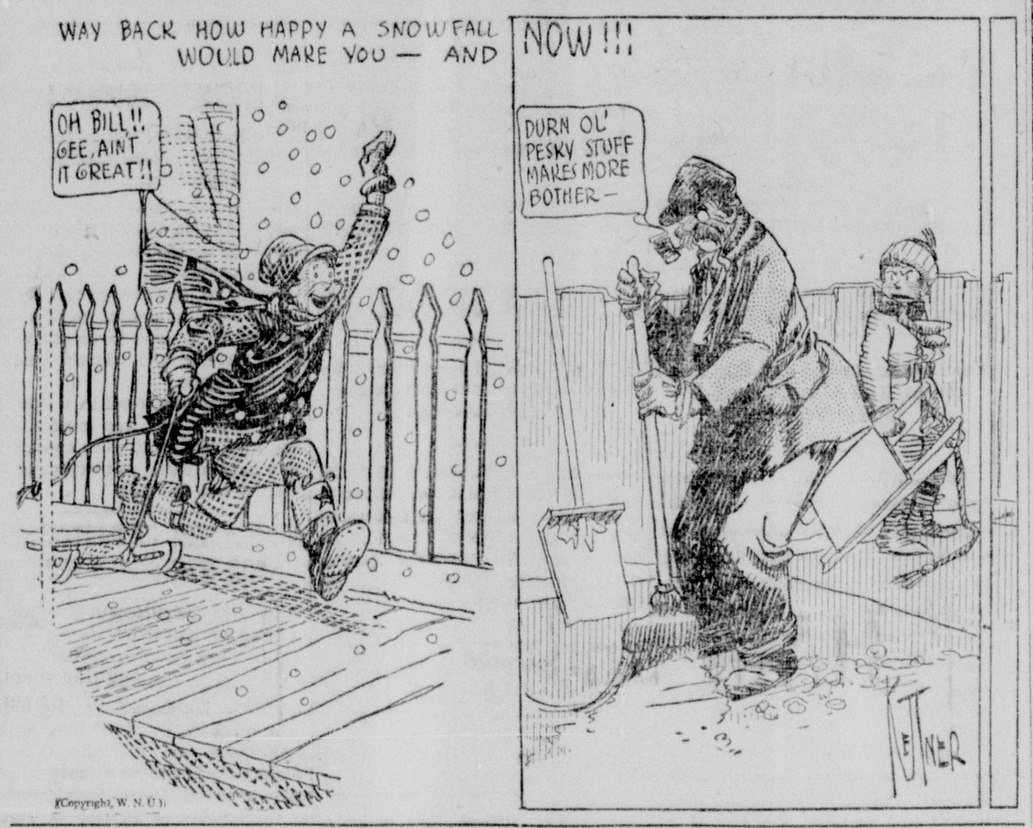
WAY BACK HOW HAPPY A SNOWFALL WOULD MAKE YOU — AND
OH BILL!! GEE, AINT IT GREAT!!
NOW!!!
DURN OL' PESKY STUFF MAKES MORE BOTHER—
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Forumettes

The fellow who has the
Best credit is always
The one who takes the
Best care of it.

Did you hear those loud reports last night? No, they were not explosions. Only the resolutions of Maryville people breaking.

We are glad a lot of our dreams do not come true. It is bad enough to have the nightmare at night without having it in the daytime also.

Uncle Abner says hot air seldom is the result of cool deliberation.

Borrowing trouble is poor business. It is never worth the work required to get it.

It used to be that an electric fan was good only to stir up a breeze on sweltering doy days. But now many a merchant has found it the solution of keeping the frost off of his show windows.

How times have changed. The pictures on the calendars given away today are works of art worthy of a frame and a place on our walls. Remember the hideous ones they used to pass out a few years back? Those with the Cow Girls for example.

We are reading a lot these days about mouth hygiene. A good way for a lot of people to promote it would be to keep their mouths shut.

The courthouse cynic says the politicians are always in favor of helpful legislation if it will help them stay in office.

Now that Christmas and New Years are out of the way, we can look forward to Ground Hog Day.

Louise, the stenographer, says life would be one grand sweet song if it was as easy to earn money as it is to spend it.

The reason so many women are making good in the executive offices to which they have been elected is because they have had so much experience bossing husbands.

Wonder what a man does when he gets "Down to Brass Tacks."

Vagrant Musings.

Living by hope alone is a hopeless job.

No one wants to hear your troubles but the lawyers and they do not care to unless you have the cash.

Some people smile as if it were bestowing a great favor.

Wonder if the sleeping porch bug is as enthusiastic about it these cold nights as he would have us believe.

Heard on Street Corners.

"Now if I was the president I surely would stop such things as that," said the man who delivers washings for his wife.

Farm Loans at lowest interest rates; easy terms. It will be to your advantage to call or write The Walton Trust Company, Michau Building, Maryville, Mo. tf

FEAR CHINA NOT ABLE TO RULE SHANTUNG

Average Foreigner Reposes But Little Confidence in Peking Politicians

Duke N. Parry, head of International News Service's Tokio Bureau, who is now in America on vacation, has written the following article on the basis of observations made by him recently on a trip through Shantung.

Columbia, Mo., Jan. 2.—While early reports of new bandit outbreaks around the port of Tsingtao, in Shantung Province, seem to have been exaggerated, foreign observers in that section of what is now China are not convinced that it is a safe place for either foreign lives or investments. Ask the average foreigner in Tsingtao as to his opinion regarding the taking over of Shantung by the Chinese, and the answer will be to the effect that such a work is almost hopeless.

Leading those who claim that China will be unable to administer Shantung properly are the Japanese officials and residents of Tsingtao, and chief among these claimants is the Military Governor of Tsingtao himself. In the office of the Governor some weeks ago the writer was given the opportunity to study bandit activities in the province ever since the Japanese took over the Leased Territory around Tsingtao and the administration of the port. On a map, carefully shown, were the various bandit zones along the railway which connects the flourishing port of Tsingtao with China proper. A key at the side showed how bandit raids had been controlled for some years and gave an idea as to the headquarters of the raiders and the damage they had done.

Credits Jap Rule

The Japanese Military Governor, in showing the map, made the claim that the bandits had been controlled for no other reason that that the Imperial Japanese Government was on the jog. He frankly stated that the weak-kneed politicians who operate in Peking would be unable, even if they had the desire to give other nationals in Shantung the protection that had been afforded them by the Japanese.

The history of Shantung is closely interwoven with what is best known to the outside world of China, namely, the Boxer Uprising. For in this province began much of the outbreak which was afterward to stir the entire civilized world. Here, in 1898, China lost a most valuable section of her territory to Germany because of the murder near Tsingtao of two German Catholic priests. And since that date, despite excellent administration by both Germans and Japanese, the bandit danger in Shantung has never been reduced to a minimum.

Capital Endangered.

Along the Shantung railway from Tsingtao, the port to Tsinanfu, the provincial capital, are valuable mines and salt fields. Here Japanese capital has been invested, and here some valuable buildings have been erected by these same Japanese. Dotted along the line and south of it are various sections which have been infested by bandits, and in each of these sections there is ever present the fear that with the end of Japanese control a permanent hold will be gotten by the robber bands. With American missionaries there is some numbers it is only natural that the American Legation in Peking must keep in constant touch with the situation. The Consulates in Tsinanfu and in Tsingtao receive information weekly, and at times daily, from all Americans in this section, and from these letters there goes to Dr. J. G. Schurmann, American Minister at Peking, information which is later filed in one of two folios, either the one on "Disturbances in Shantung," or one entitled "Anti-Foreign Demonstration." It is understood that similar folios are kept by the British, Japanese and French Legations. For the ministers of the powers to keep in touch with such things is most necessary, for it is a known fact that there are anti-foreign elements in China, elements which need only a popular movement to make them a most menacing factor to the republic.

FIFTEEN KIDS NONE TOO MANY, SAYS MISSOURIAN.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Jan. 2.—"Fifteen is not too many kids," Gus Smith, father of that number of children, declared today. Mrs. Smith agrees with her husband.

"Nothing brightens a home more than children, and the more the merrier," Smith says. "We would not take the world for any of them, because they are our joy."

The Smiths have been married 22 years. Ten of the fifteen children came in pairs.

Geniuses From Large Families.

Havelock Ellis, the English sociologist, according to "The Spoiled Child," an article in McClure's Magazine, took from dictionaries of biography one thousand and thirty British geniuses from the fourth century to the present time, rejecting any about whose parentage nothing was known. He found the vast majority came from very large families, "much larger than the average family at the time they lived." The geniuses tended to be the oldest sons of large families or the youngest sons of large families. Only children made up a very small percentage of the thousand and thirty.

Bedroom Golf, New Game.

London, Jan. 2.—"Bedroom golf" is London's latest. An ingenious inventor has devised an indoor golf game. Several devotees of the indoor game have been brought into court by their tenants, who claim the indoor variety is not a silent game like the outdoor variety.

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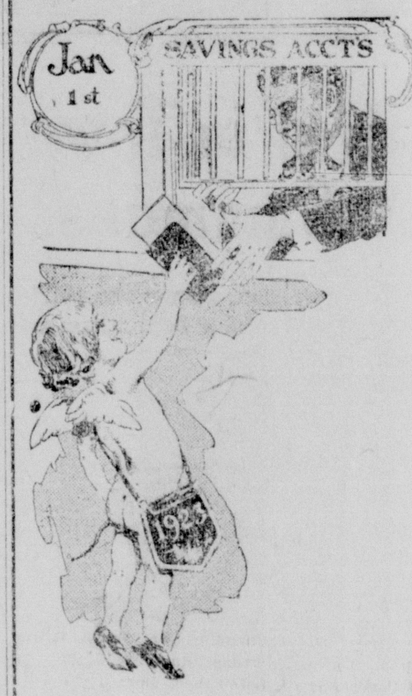

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January First Inventory Time

THIS is the month that American business takes account of itself. Stocks are gone over, records checked and accounts taken.

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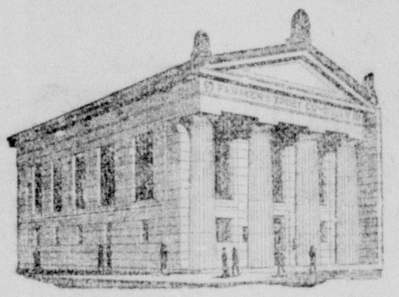
This is the time to make plans for 1923. If you would go forward, be prepared for fortune's turn, be it good or bad. Start a Savings Account NOW.



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Society

Monday Bridge Club

The Monday Bridge Club was entertained this afternoon at the home of Mrs. F. G. Shoemaker on East Third street. The guests included, besides the club members, Miss Mae Corwin and Miss Elizabeth Leet.

Cummins Dinner Party

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cummins entertained with a New Year's dinner Sunday at their home near Burlington Junction. Their guests included the Rev. Father Richard Felix and his sisters, Misses Margaret and Nora Felix of Conception, Mr. and Mrs. James Messbarger and daughter, Mary Margaret, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Cummins and son, Donald, Mr. and Mrs. Will Cummins and son, Growney, Miss Mayme Cummins and Gerald Cummins.

For Bridal Couple

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wray were hosts at a dinner party Friday at their home in Guilford, complimentary to their niece, Mrs. Ulmont Kendree, and Mr. Kendree of Des Moines, Ia., who were married last fall. Plates were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Kendree, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McLean, Mrs. Fred DeMoss and daughter, Elizabeth, of Maryville, Mrs. Eunice Parr, Mary Virginia and Carl Wray, Jr., and the hosts.

Mrs. Baker Hostess

Mrs. George B. Baker entertained the members of the Tuesday Luncheon Club at 1 o'clock luncheon and bridge today at her home on West Third street. Mrs. Henry Bolm of Denver, Colo., who is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ferdinand Townsend, was an additional guest.

Dinner and Watch Party

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hubbell entertanied at 1 o'clock dinner Sunday at their home, two miles east of Barnard. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Archie Hubbell, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Farnan of Maryville. Misses Leona and Jeanette Wuorton, Glen and Emmett Byergo, Guy McKee, and the hosts. A watch party was the feature of the evening. Games were played and at a late hour lunch was served by the hostess.

Annual Holiday Dinner.

The annual holiday dinner for members of the Herron Homemaking Circle and their families was given yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. V. A. Guthrie when an all-day meeting of the club was held. Dinner was served in cafeteria style and the afternoon was spent in games, music and the distribution of gifts from the Christmas box. During the business session Mrs. L. E. Rogers and Mrs. V. A. Guthrie were elected delegates to the garment school which Miss Lois Martin of the Home Economics Extension Service of the University of Missouri is conducting at the offices of the Farm Bureau. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. L. E. Rogers, vice president; Mrs. D. E. Vert, secretary and reporter; and Mrs. Dave Neidel, treasurer. The club will hold its next meeting January 17, at the home of Mrs. Dave Neidel. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Shanes, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Griffey, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Rogers and children, Elfie, Vera, Nettie May, Lela and Junior; Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Osborne, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Willhoyte, Mr. and Mrs. John Vert, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fisher and daughter, Helen Charlene, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Griffey, Mrs. Dave Neidel, Mrs. J. C. F. Taylor, Mrs. D. E. Vert and daughter, Augusta Mae, Roy Fisher, Jimmie Sheridan and Misses Leara Willhoyte, Mary Belle Fisher and Mary Taylor.

Rockford Community Club.

The Rockford Community Club will meet at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ernest Bainum. Mrs. Jerry Fisher and Mrs. Eugene Crawford have been appointed delegates to the Garment School. Mrs. Fisher will attend the meeting in Maryville which opened today at the offices of the Farm Bureau, and Mrs. Crawford will represent the club at the meeting in Skidmore January 8 to 11.

Miss Bernice Shrock Weds.

Friends of Miss Bernice Shrock have received word of her marriage at Lamar, Mo., Saturday, December 30, to Wilbert Hardesty of Joplin. The wedding took place at the Methodist church in Lamar, the pastor, the Rev. Murphy, officiating. Following a honeymoon trip the couple will be at home in Joplin. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Shrock of Lamar, who formerly resided in Maryville.

Observe Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Moon, 1104 East Fourth street, entertained with a 6 o'clock dinner New Year's evening, the occasion being their thirty-ninth wedding anniversary. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bratcher and son, Earl, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Moon and children, H. D., Jr., and Martina, Mrs. Vern Cox and son, Eldon, Glen Moon and the hosts.

Goose Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil E. Lawson entertained with a goose dinner Sunday at their home near Harmony. Plates were laid for Mr. and Mrs. A. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Trullinger, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Haller, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest McDowell, Mr. and Mrs. Doyle King, Letha and Lucile Lawson, Marian Haller, Mildred Trullinger, Glen Lawson, Harold Snyder, Donald E. Trullinger, Guy Reece Haller, and the hosts and son, Kenneth Dean.

Neidel Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Osborn, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Neidel, Willie Neidel and Raymond Deardorff were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Neidel at their home near Barnard.

Royal Neighbors

The Royal Neighbors will meet at 2:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon at Modern Woodman Hall.

Annual Progressive Dinner.

The T. N. D.'s entertained a number of guests at their fourth annual progressive dinner which was given last night. The bouillon course was served at 6 o'clock at the home of Miss Mayme Grems, with Miss Marie Chandler as assisting hostess. Miss Katherine Remus was hostess at the meat course at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Remus on West First street. The salad course was served by Misses Lota Claire Landfather and Laura Margaret Raines at the home of the former on West Third street. Misses Minnie Evans and Roberta Cook were hostesses at the last course at the home of Miss Remus. The dinner was followed by a line party at the Empire Theater. The out-of-town guests included Miss Virginia Worst of Omaha, Miss Lucile Sturm of Ravenwood and Ernest Ellis of Pattonsburg.

Lucile Snyder Entertains

Lucile Snyder entertained informally at rook last night at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Snyder on West Thompson street. The game favor was won by Leola Miller. Dancing and refreshments were other entertaining features. The guests were Edwyna Forsyth, Leola Miller, Katherine and Florence Wray, Katherine Chandler, Winifred Baker, Virginia Tulloch, and Frances Remus.

Party at Miller Home

Leola Miller will entertain a group of friends tonight at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Jesse Miller, Sr., on West First street. Various games will be played after which refreshments will be served. The house decorations will be suggestive of the Christmas season. The guest list includes Edwyna Forsyth, Frances Remus, Katherine and Florence Wray, Virginia Tulloch, Lucile Snyder, Winifred Baker, Opal Holt, Katherine Chandler, and Wilbur Wilson, Buster Strong, Raymond Cohn, Paul Neal, Loren Yeo, Donald Goforth, Graham Malotte, Paris Phipps, Joe Jackson and Curtis Coe.

Curl-Price.

Dr. and Mrs. O. L. Curl announce the marriage of their daughter, Bessie Inez to Mr. Harry A. Price at St. Joseph Tuesday, December 26, by the Rev. Dr. Moore, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Price.

In orde rto get the sentiment of sociated with his father and brothers in the Price Furniture Company.

To Meet at Matter Home.

The Young Women's Foreign Missionary Society of the First Methodist Church will meet at 7:30 o'clock tonight at the home of Miss Ruth Matter on South Mulberry street.

For Miss Bookman

Miss Laveta Epperson gave a 6 o'clock dinner at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Epperson, southwest of Maryville, last night followed by a slumber party in honor of Miss Ruth Bookman, who leaves Wednesday to resume her studies at Rockford College in Rockford, Ill. Additional guests were Miss Alice McMurry, Miss Alice Welling, Miss Margaret Remus and Miss Ora Mae Condon.

Married Last August

Announcement cards have been received by Maryville friends making known the marriage of Miss Goldie M. Meyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Meyer of Lawrence, Kan., and Chester S. Bray. The wedding took place Saturday, August 26, 1922. The bride was a student at the summer semester of the State Teachers College and has been teaching in the public schools at Agency. The couple will reside in King City.

Shelton-Schiveley

Miss Hildred Shelton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Shelton, and Roscoe B. Schiveley were married Sunday, December 31, at the home of the bride's parents in Clarinda, Ia., Mr. and Mrs. Schiveley will be at home after February 1 in Villisca, Ia. The bride was born and reared in Burlington Junction, where her parents resided for a number of years.

Entertain at Goose Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper Gooden entertained with a goose dinner yesterday at their home on East First street for their son, Forrest Gooden, Mrs. Gooden and their little daughter, Helen Marie of Kansas City. Additional guests were Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Craven, Mr. and Mrs. Art Craven, Mr. and Mrs. Ira O. Kelley, Orville Kelley and Ilene Kelley.

Bellows Dinner Guests

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Bellows will be hosts at a 6 o'clock dinner this evening at Parkdale Farm in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Honnold Bellows and daughter, Helen Marie of Chicago. The other guests will include Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bellows, Mr. W. C. Frank, Mr. J. R. Brink, Miss Virginia Robinson and Charles Bellows, Jr.

To Visit in Tarkio.

J. W. Raines and his daughter, Miss Edith Raines, who spent the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Raines on South Vine street, returned to Tarkio Saturday. Miss Raines left Sunday evening for Minneapolis, Minn., where she teaches in the public schools. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Raines will motor to Tarkio tomorrow to visit the former's father on the occasion of his eighty-third birthday. Mrs. Raines will spend the remainder of the week in Tarkio with her mother, Mrs. T. J. Emmert.

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WOULD CANCEL THE WAR DEBTS

LORD BUCKMASTER, EX-CHANCELLOR, FAVORS IT

NO MARKET, HE SAYS

Calls Versailles Terms "Act of Dishonesty Which Can Never Be Effaced"

By F. A. Wray
International News Service Staff Correspondent

London, Jan. 2—A passionate appeal for the cancellation of war debts is made by Lord Buckmaster, ex-British Lord Chancellor and famous lawyer and social reformer.

"If the present policy is pursued," he says, "no man can say when the catastrophe will come, but sooner or later the catastrophe of the last four years will be repeated.

"There is no solid market left in Europe," he continues, "nor will there ever be until we have begun at the bottom and restored Europe in the same way in which we have attempted to build up the British Empire—by making Europe save itself.

"What we ought to say at once is: 'This Treaty of Versailles, so far as it has attempted to impose on Germany the obligation to pay pensions to the women and children of killed and disabled men, went beyond the terms of the armistice, and that to induce any nation, however evil and abominable they might be, to lay down their arms on one set of terms and then, when they were defenceless, to impose another, is an act of dishonesty which can never be effaced!'

"Then Britain ought to be ready to renounce all other benefits in favor of France and Belgium.

"Britain should instantly forego, without bargaining, the debts owing to her from France and Italy, which, according to all the laws of economics, could never be paid.

"This should be done under the condition that France helped Britain, with the other nations, to stabilize the exchanges and currencies of Europe."

NEED OF MORE COUNTRY SCHOOLS SHOWN

United States Illiteracy Subject of Address

Washington, Jan. 2—(Capital News Service).—Speaking to the Sons of the Revolution, Dr. J. W. Crabtree, Secretary of the National Education Association, brought out facts regarding illiteracy in the United States which emphasize the need for more and better public schools, and which endorse the results of the election in Oregon, in which new school laws were passed, compelling attendance in State public schools.

"The United States has the highest percentage of illiteracy of the leading enlightened nations of the world," said Dr. J. W. Crabtree. "If you multiply Germany's percentage of illiteracy by 30, you will have the figure showing the percentage of illiteracy in the United States. Improvement and increase in the number of country schools is the first step necessary to remedy this defect. Under the present system the country child is four times more likely to be illiterate than the city child." Dr. Crabtree also pointed out that "to Americanize the foreign-born is necessary as to do away with illiteracy."

Explains Some "Old Maids."

Dr. A. A. Brill of New York, in his study of four hundred cases of patients who had been only or favorite children, found that only ninety-three of them had married, though their average age was thirty-four, says the author of "The Spoiled Child," in McClure's Magazine. In his opinion most of them remained old maids and old bachelors because they were unduly dominated by their attachment to their parents.

It's a Fine (?) Job.

Glenrock, Wyo., Jan. 2.—Six different men have held the job of city marshal here in the last six months.

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Sounds good these frosty mornings, and really, what could be nicer than some of our good ham or bacon with eggs these cold mornings? It sure would make a fine way to start the day for the man of the house. He would start to work with a snap and good nature that would last through the whole day, but then——

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To the Home Owners of Nodaway County

This is a good season of the year to get a good photograph of your home. Many homes are so shaded by trees as to make it hard to secure pictures when the leaves are out. Even interiors are sometimes hard to get on this account.

This is between seasons time in our business and we are going to make a special inducement to you to have some home photographs made.

I will be in each town of Nodaway County soon and if you have photographic work to be done, I have a worth while service to offer you.

Phone or write me so I can look you up when I come to your town.

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Maryville, Mo.

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Also Comedy.

Saturday

10c 20-2c

William Russell, in "THE CRUSADER."
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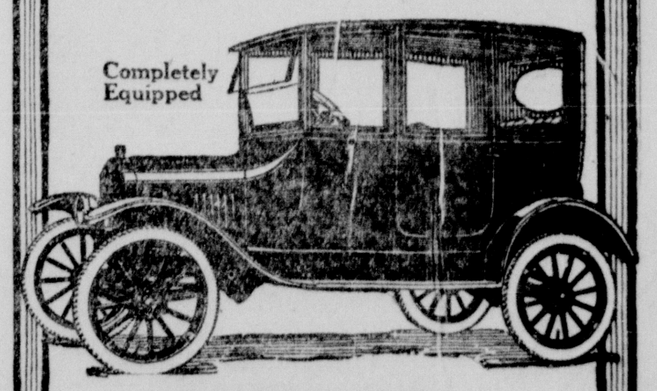

BARMANN AUTO CO.

A QUESTION OF CLIMATE

By WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE

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COLONEL MORRISON had three initials, so the town naturally called him "Alphabetical" Morrison, and dropped the "Colonel." He came to our part of the country in an early day—he used to explain that they caught him in the trees, when he was drinking creek water, eating sheep-sorrel and running wild with a buffalo tail for a trolley, and that the first thing they did, after teaching him to eat out of a plate, was to set him at work in the grading gang that was laying out the Cottonwood and Walnut rivers and putting the limestone in the hills. He was one of the original five patriots who laid out the Corn Belt railroad from the Mississippi to the Pacific, and was appointed one of that committee to take the matter to New York for the inspection of capitalists, and he it said to the credit of Alphabetical Morrison that he was the only person in the crowd with money enough to pay the ferryman when he reached the Missouri river, though he had only enough to get himself across. But in spite of that the road was built, and though it missed our town, it was because we didn't vote the bonds, though old Alphabetical went through the county, roaring in the schoolhouses, bellowing at the crossroads, and doing all that a good, honest pair of lungs could do for the cause. However, he was not dismayed at his failure, and began immediately to organize a company to build another road. We finally secured a railroad, though it was only a branch.

Over his office door he had a sign—"Land Office"—painted on the false board front of the building in letters as big as a cow, and the first our newspaper knew of him was twenty years ago, when he brought in an order for some stationery for the Commercial club. At that time we had not heard that the town supported a Commercial club—nor had anyone else heard of it, for that matter—for old Alphabetical was the president, and his bookkeeper, with the Miss dropped off her name, was secretary. But he had a wonderfully alluring letterhead printed, and seemed to get results, for he made a living while his competitors starved. Later, when he found time, he organized a real Commercial club, and had himself elected president of it. He used to call meetings of the club to discuss things, but as no one cared much for his monologues on the future of the town, the attendance was often light. He issued circulars referring to our village as "the Queen City of the Prairies," and on the circulars was a map, showing that the Queen City of the Prairies was "the railroad axis of the West." There was one road running into the town; the others old Alphabetical indicated with dotted lines, and explained they were in process of construction.

He became possessed of a theory that a canning factory would pay in the Queen City of the Prairies, and the first step he took toward building it was to invest in a high hat, a long coat and white vest, and a pair of mouse-colored trousers. With these and his theory he went East and returned with a contract. The canning factory went up, but the railroad rates went wrong, and the factory was never opened. Alphabetical blinked at it through his gold-rimmed glasses for a few weeks, and then organized a company to turn it into a woolen mill. He elected himself president of that company and used to bring around to our paper notices of directors' meetings, and while he was in the office he would insist that we devoted too much space to idle gossip and not enough to the commercial and industrial interests of the Queen City.

At times he would bring in an editorial that he had written himself, highly excitable and full of cyclonic language, and if we printed it Alphabetical would buy a hundred copies of the paper containing it and send them east. His office desk gradually filled with woodcuts and zinc etchings of buildings that never existed save in his dear old head, and about twice a year during the boom days he would bring them around and have a circular printed on which were the pictures showing the imaginary public buildings and theoretical business thoroughfares of the Queen City.

The woolen mill naturally didn't pay, and he persuaded some eastern capitalists to install an electric plant in the building and put a street-car line in the town, though the longest distance from one side of the place to the other was less than ten blocks. But Alphabetical was enthusiastic about it, and had the governor come down to drive the first spike. It was gold-plated, and Alphabetical pulled it up and used it for a paper-weight in his office for many years, and it is now the only reminder there is in town of the street railway, except a hard place or [illegible] over the tie in the middle of Main street. When anyone twitted him on the failure of the street railway he made answer:

"Of course it failed; here I go [illegible] up the earth, sulking out the [illegible] of the effete East, and [illegible] up this town—and what happens? Here the old skinflint has [illegible] the moss on the north side of [illegible] with mussel shell, and turn over and yawp that old Alphabetical is visionary. Here I can get a canning factory and nobody eats the goods; I hustle up a woolen factory, and the community quits wearing trousers; I build for them a street-car line to haul them to and from their palatial residences, and what do the sun-baked human mud-turtles do but all jump off the log into the water and hide from them cars like they were chariots of fire? What this town needs is not factories, nor railroads, nor modern improvements—Old Alphabetical can get them—but the next great scheme I go into is to go down the river, get some good red mud, and make a few thousand men who will build up a town."

It has been fifteen years and over since Colonel Morrison put on his long coat and high hat and started for the money markets of the East, seeking whom he might devour. At the close of the eighties the Colonel and all his tribe found that the stock of eastern capitalists who were ready to pay good prices for the fine shimmering blue sky and bracing ozone of the West was running low. It was said in town that the Colonel had come to the end of his string, for not only were the doors of capital closed to him in the East, but newcomers had stopped looking for farms at home. There was nothing to do but to sit down and swap jack-knives with other land agents, and as they had taken most of the agencies for the best insurance companies while the Colonel was on dress parade, there was nothing left for him to do but to run for justice of the peace, and, being elected, do what he could to make his tenure for life.

Though he was elected, more out of gratitude for what he had tried to do for the town than because people thought he would make a fair judge, he got no further than his office in popular esteem. He did not seem to wear well with the people in the daily run and jostle of life. During the forty years he has been in our town, he has lived most of the time apart from the people—transacting his business in the East, or locating strangers on new lands. He has not been one of us, and there were stories afloat that his shrewdness had sometimes caused him to thrust a toe over the dead-line of exact honesty. In the town he never helped us to fight for those things of which the town is really proud: our schools, the college, the municipal ownership of electric lights and waterworks, the public library, the abolition of the saloon, and all of the dozen small matters of public interest in which good citizens take a pride. Colonel Morrison was living his grand life, in his tailor-made clothes, while his townsmen were out with their coats off making our town the substantial place it is. So in his latter days he is old Alphabetical Morrison, a man apart from us. We like him well enough, and so long as he cares to be justice of the peace no one will object, for that is his due. But, someway, there is no talk of making him county clerk; and there is a reason in everybody's mind why no party names him to run for county treasurer. He has been trying hard enough for ten years to break through the crust of the common interests that he has so long ignored. One sees him at public meetings—a rather wistful-looking, chubby-faced old man—on the edge of the crowd, ready to be called out for a speech. But no one calls his name; no one cares particularly what old Alphabetical has to say. Long ago he said all that he can say to our people.

The only thing that Alphabetical ever organized that paid was a family. In the early days he managed to get a home clear of indebtedness and was shrewd enough to keep it out of all of his transactions. Tow-headed Morrisons filled the schoolhouse, and twenty years later there were so many of his girls teaching school that the school board had to make a ruling limiting the number of teachers from one family in the city school, in order to force the young Morrison girls to go to the country to teach. In these days the girls keep the house going and Alphabetical is a notary public and a justice of the peace, which keeps his office going in the little square board building at the end of the street. But every day for the past ten years he has been coming to our office for his bundle of old newspapers. These he reads carefully, and sometimes what he reads inspires him to write something for our paper on the future of the Queen City, though much oftener his articles are retrospective. He is the president of the Old Settlers' society, and once or twice a year he brings in an obituary which he has written for the family of some old-timer.

One would think that an idler would be a nuisance in a busy place, but, on the contrary, we all like old Alphabetical around our office. For he is an old man who has not grown sour. His smooth, fat face has not been wrinkled by the vinegar of failure, and the noise that came from his lusty lungs in the old days is subsiding. But he has never forgiven General Durham, of the Statesman, for saying of a fight between Alphabetical and another land agent back in the sixties that "those who heard it pronounced it the most vocal engagement they had ever known." That is why he brings his obituaries to us; that is why he does us the honor of borrowing papers from us; and that is why, on a dull afternoon, he likes to sit in the old sway-back swivel-chair and tell us his theory of the increase in the rainfall, his notion about the influence of trees upon the hot winds, his opinion of the disappearance of the grasshoppers. Also, that is why we always save a circus ticket for old Alphabetical, just as we save one for each of the boys in the office.

One day he came into the office in a bad humor. He picked up a country paper, glanced it over, threw it down, kicked from under his feet a dog that had followed a subscriber into the room, and slammed his hat into the wastebasket with considerable feeling as he picked up a New York paper.

"Well—well, what's the matter with the judiciary this morning?" someone asked the old man.

He did not reply at once, but turned his paper over and over, apparently looking for something to interest him. Gradually the revolutions of his paper became slower and slower, and finally he stopped turning the paper and began reading. It was ten or fifteen minutes before he spoke. When he put down the paper his cherubic face was beaming, and he said:

"Oh—I know I'm a fool, but I wish the Lord had sent me to live in a town large enough so that every dirty-faced brat on the street wouldn't feel he had a right to call me 'Alphabetical'! Dammit, I've done the best I could! I haven't made any alarming success. I know it. There's no need of rubbing it in on me." He was silent for a time with his hands on his knees and his head thrown back, looking at the ceiling. Almost imperceptibly a smile began to crack his features, and, when he turned his eyes to the man at the desk, they were dancing with merriment, as he said: "Just been reading a piece here in the Sun about the influence of climate on human endeavor. It says that in northern latitudes there is more oxygen in the air and folks breathe faster, and their blood flows faster, and that keeps their liver going. Trouble with me has always been climate—sluggish liver. If I had just a little more oxygen floating round in my system, the woolen mill would still be running, the street cars would be going, and this town would have had forty thousand inhabitants. My fatal mistake was one of latitude, but"—and he drawled out the word mockingly—"but I guess if the Lord had wanted me to make a town here He would have given me a different kind of liver!" He slapped his knees as he sighed: "This is a funny world, and the more you see of it the funnier it gets." The old man grinned complacently at the ceiling for a minute and before getting out of his chair kicked his shoe-heels together merrily, wiped his glasses as he rose, put his bundle of papers under his arm, and left the office whistling an old old-fashioned tune.

"He Likes to Sit in the Old Swayback Swivel Chair and Tell Us His Theory of the Increase in the Rainfall."

DAILY NEWS LETTER.

By Edward Pill,
International News Service Staff Correspondent.

New York, Jan. 2.—A merry little game of hide-and-seek cavorts daily about the corners of Wall street's staid and solemn money temples, as strange a background for childlike pastime as one is wont to find.

The actors in this queer comedy are adults. The conflicting forces—necessary fundamentals for an entertaining drama—are the curbstone merchant and the much-abused policeman.

It has to do with business, and speed is the ulterior motive—speed of transaction on the part of the customer and speed of foot on the part of the merchant.

The street-fakir, so far as the territory that extends westward beyond the Hudson river is concerned, is almost a thing of the past. But not so in New York. Here he is still with us, accompanied with unending supplies of painless toothache gum, mending cement and patented knife-fountain pen-tooth brush—all in one. Gothamites in droves, they who have everything to make for a blase and tiring existence, still fall for his suave and oily words.

The fakir's happy hunting ground is Father Knickerbocker's financial district, lower Manhattan. They would rather speak to a crowd of Wall street habitues than to the greenest of provincials. Al. Baker, who has sold everything from paring knives to extract of malt along Nassau street for the last ten years and has been chased by more cops than Sing Sing's oldest pickpocket, said: "The guys down here fall for it the easiest."

Asked why, Al. replied: "I dunno; that just do, that's all."

Enter the policeman. The New York curb merchant never bothers about procuring a license to give him legal right to reap profit from the sale of Dr. Bunkem's Famous Rattlesnake Salve. It's easier to get away with it, they say, when a fellow is fast on his feet.

They carry their wares in old suitcases and find their locations, usually in front of stately looking skyscrapers and begin their ballyhooing. It isn't long before the crowds gather. Human beings the the same on Broad street as they are in Clear Water, Massachusetts.

"Gents, I've got here the greatest little thing on the market. The famous Empire Patented Key Ring. Holds twenty different keys and guaranteed not to bulge, rip ,tear or stretch the pocket."

The words flow on, but the eyes are swifter than the tongue. They scan the horizon—east, west, north and south. A blue, brass-buttoned figure looms up from around a corner. A snatch of the suitcase and the curb merchant is dashing off and losing himself in the crowds. He finds another spot several blocks away devoid of blue and begins all over again.

"It doesn't mean anything," said Lou Mosher, another one of the "association." "The cops aren't bad sports. They only work under orders."

He was vending knitted ties, "sixty-nine cents a throw.' A prospective customer stood next to him examining a pseudo-silk cravat to make sure he wasn't going to be beaten in the transaction. Lou looked toward Broadway and caught the gleam of brass buttons. He seized the tie from the startled customer's hands and made a hasty retreat, coattails and suitcase flying in the wind. The would-be customer moved on with a chuckle. Such is the life of a business man.

It is best not to believe everything you hear unless you are talking to yourself.

Autos Kill 295.

Los Angeles, Jan. 2.—In a report made recently by Coroner Nance, the causes of 2,762 deaths investigated by his office for the fiscal year were as follows:

Automobile accidents, 295; suicides, 278; homicides, 114; miscellaneous accidents, 356, and natural causes, street cars and railroads, 1,719.

Miss Jessamine Williams of St. Joseph returned home this morning after spending her New Year's vacation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ellwood Barrett on North Mulberry street.

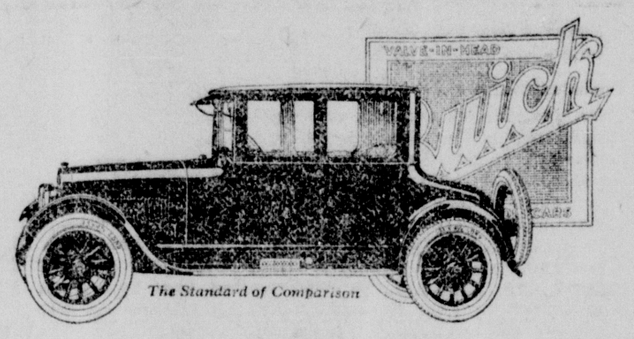
MRS. G. W. HALL SICK FOR YEARS

Wants Women to Know How She Was Made Well by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Lima, Ohio.—"Indeed, your medicine is all you say it is! I had very severe troubles such as women often have, and could do no heavy work. I was sick for several years, and from reading your ads. I finally decided to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I am now doing my own washing, which I haven't done for several years, and can walk long distances without those dragging pains and weak feelings. The Vegetable Compound is fine, and I never forget to say a good word for it to other women when they say they need something."—Mrs. G. W. HALL, 529 Hazel Avenue, Lima, Ohio.

There are many women who find their household duties almost unbearable owing to some weakness or derangement. The trouble may be slight, yet cause such annoying symptoms as dragging pains, weakness and a run-down feeling.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a splendid medicine for such conditions. It has in many cases relieved those symptoms by removing the cause of them. Mrs. Hall's experience is but one of many.



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LEGAL FORMS FOR SALE—The following legal forms may be had at The Democrat-Forum office: Lease of Farm, Quit Claim Deed, House Leases, Deed of Trust, Chattle Mortgage with power of Sale, and General Warranty Deed.

TELEPHONE Batteries and Hot Shots—Holt Supply Co. 1-11

Purebred S. C. R. I. Red cockerels, $1.50 to $2.00, not line bred. J. Ward Stevenson, Graham, Mo. D 30-tf

FOR SALE—Hickory and oak ridge wood, sawed in stove length; also lot of fine white oak posts. George W. Neal, Pickering, Mo. D29-tf

FOR SALE—Four Fox Hound Pups 8 months old. Well bred and pedigreed, call or write. Lloyd B. Heifner, Maryville, Mo.

FOR SALE—Baled wheat straw. A. B. Stiens, Farmers 51-12. 1-3*

FOR SALE—Rose Comb R. I. Cockerels. Mrs. Lawrence Frazee. Farmers 37-11. 2-4

FOR SALE—Library table, duofold, good as new. Refrigerator, heating stove, 3 burner Perfection oil stove, other small things. 215 South Buchanan. 2-4*

FOR SALE—15 head of purebred Spotted Poland China gilts to farrow February and March. Cholera immune. W. W. Furlong. Barnard phone 5-14. J2Stf

FOR SALE—Jersey cow, fresh soon. A. C. Ford, Farmers 14-17. 2-4*

FOR SALE—Choice barred plymouth rock cockerels, $1.50 each. Call Emerson Moore, Graham. 1-3

FOR SALE—9 yearling registered Angus Bulls. Robert Larmer. Phone 198. Maryville, Mo. 30-2*

ELECTRIC LAMPS—Holt Supply Co. 1-11

MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—Employment by man and wife, town or country. 518 E. Grant. 30-2*

WANTED—25 head cattle to pasture at $1.50 per month. Marvin Carmichael, Pickering phone. 30-2

YOU SHOULD have your side curtains made to open and close with the doors. We make and repair side curtains and tops. Don't forget our tire bargains under the big red sign on east side square. Lanning Tire and Top Shop. 30-10

TO WANT ADV. PATRONS

The Democrat-Forum has been accepting want and small classified advertisements over the telephone as a matter of accomodation, but some of our patrons have not appreciated this service. Please bear in mind that these small ads are cash business and that, when they are accepted over the telephone, it is only as a matter of accommodation and with the understanding that payment for same will be brought or sent to this office within three days. The amounts are too small to justify the opening of an account or sending out collectors. (tf)

FOR RENT—Sleeping room in modern home, close in, 402 East Fourth street. 1-3*

Plenty of stock pasture for cattle close to town. First class wheat straw and last years oat straw in bale for sale. T. C. Coil, Hanamo 4338. 2-4

LOST—Small pocketbook containing $26 in bills and change, between Main street and 602 East Third. Reward. Return to this office. 2tf

WANTED—50 American Magazine subscriptions during January. Subscriptions to all other magazines solicited. Florence Shullenberger, Publisher's Representative. Hanamo 3097. 2-4*

Crowsons Leave

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Crowson of Chicago, who have been spending the holidays at the home of the former's parents, Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Crowson in Pickering, have returned home. They were New Year's guests of Mrs. Crowson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Yeakley in St. Joseph. Mr. Crowson is editor of the Illinois Central Magazine, official publication of the Illinois Central railroad.

Miss Bishop Leaves.

Miss Sterrill Bishop returned to Columbia yesterday where she is a student at Stephens College after spending the Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. Alpha Bishop.

Mrs. Sallie Adams of Dawson, who suffered a stroke of paralysis three weeks ago, is able to be up part of the day.

Mrs. S. S. Wolcott returned today from Dawson, where she has been visiting at the home of her brother, Charles Bird, since Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robey and son of Des Moines visited in Maryville on their way to Wyoming where they will visit a few days.

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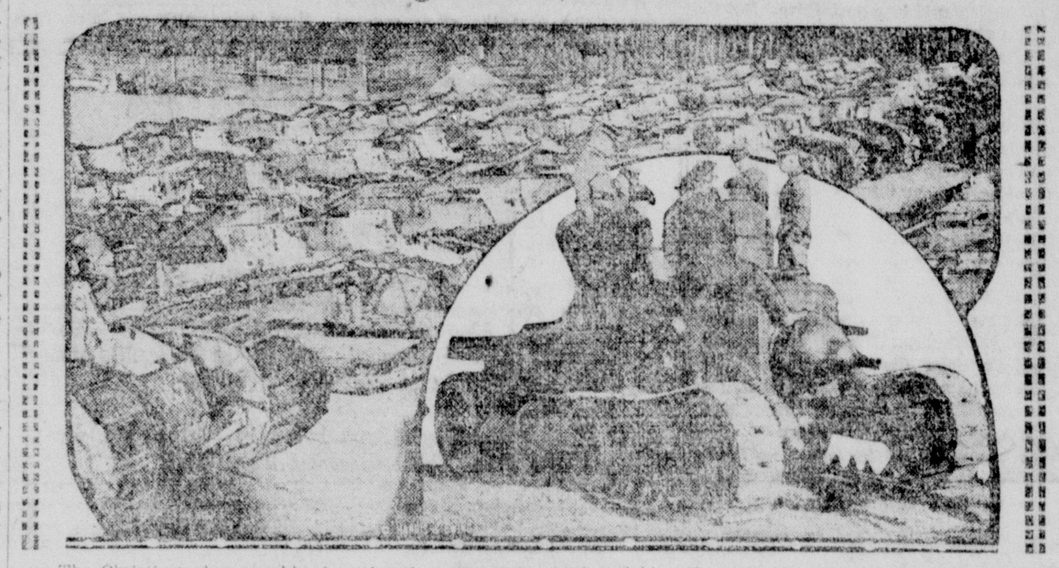
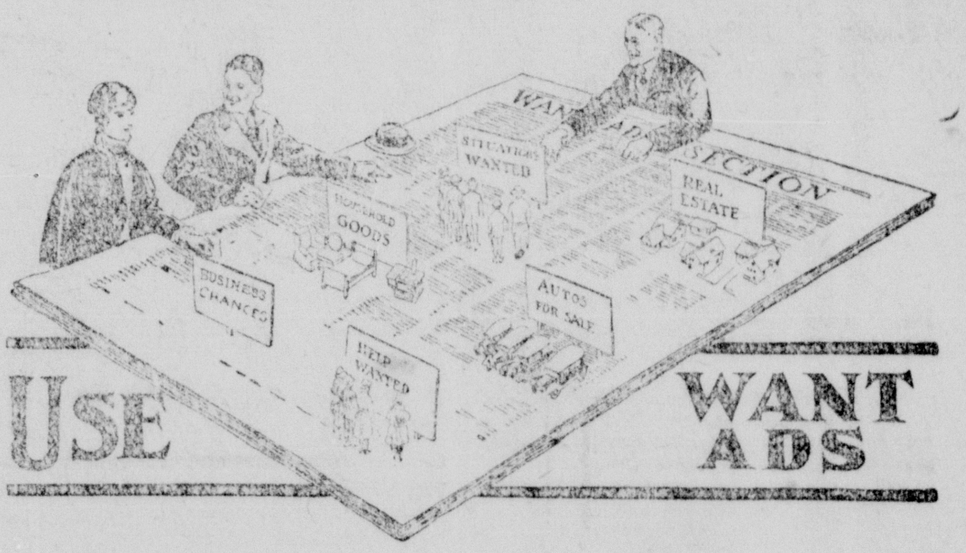


The Christie tank, a combined road and cross-country tank weighing 15 tons and carrying one six-pounder and three machine guns, being examined by officers at Camp Franklin, Md. This tank, the latest built by the United States, is manned by a crew of four men and attains a speed of 12 miles an hour. At the left are a lot of the baby tanks our army used during the war, now dismantled and rusting at Camp Franklin.



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HISTORY'S MYSTERIES

"WHO STOLE CHARLEY ROSS?"

THE most famous kidnaping mystery in America and one which created more interest the world over than any other crime of the kind ever committed—with the possible exception of the loss of some of the children of royalty—was the disappearance of Charley Ross, young son of a Philadelphia family. For nearly half a century the case has baffled the greatest detectives of the world and, in spite of every effort that has been made, in spite of the expenditure of huge sums of money, the mystery is as deep to-day as it was on July 1, 1874, when the boy was first missed.

Christian K. Ross lived in Germantown, an outlying section of Philadelphia, and Charles was the youngest of his five children. At the time of his kidnaping, the child was only four years old and was playing with his brother, Walter, on the sidewalk in front of the house.

Some days previous to the kidnaping, according to the story which Walter Ross told the police, three men had spoken to the boys and had given them some candy. On July 1 these same men drove up in a wagon and invited the Ross boys to take a ride to the nearest fireworks store. The brothers got in and were driven some distance to a section of the city known as Kensington, where Walter Ross was given a quarter and told to get out and go into the nearest store to make his purchase. When he came out of the store the wagon had disappeared.

After searching in vain for his brother for several minutes, Walter Ross became alarmed and commenced to cry. His grief attracted a crowd of men and he was taken home, but no clue could be discovered as to the whereabouts of his brother. The Philadelphia police searched every part of the city for three days and advertisements were placed in the papers without success until, on the morning of July 4 came a poorly written and ill-spelled letter stating that "Charley is all rite, but you will have to pay us before yu get him from us and pay us big, too." This letter concluded with the threat that the boy would be instantly killed if any attempt were made to put the police on his trail.

On July 6 another letter arrived demanding $20,000, which Mr. Ross, in spite of the protests of the police and private detectives, agreed to pay. Owing to the watchfulness of the police, however, the kidnapers were frightened and failed to keep the appointments which they made with the boy's father.

Not only all America but Europe as well, was now concerned with the Ross kidnaping case and the brightest minds in the detective forces of two continents joined in the search, lured by the size of the reward and the fame which would accompany an actual solution of the mystery. Reports of the missing boy came from all sections of the country and Mr. Ross made more than 200 trips in running down clues which proved to be false, in addition to spending at least $60,000 in his fruitless search. Almost up to the present time, men who have claimed to be Charley Ross have put in their appearance, only to have their stories shattered by some details which fail to match in with the facts.

The nearest approach to a solution of the mystery was the deathbed confession of two burglars named Mosher and Douglas, but the truth of their statements could never be verified because they died before giving an accurate description of what they had done with the boy's body.

Mr. Ross continued the search until his death in 1807, and the boy's mother, who died only a few years ago, always maintained that her boy was not dead, but that he would come back to her some day. Her belief was never sustained, however, and the mystery of Charley Ross remains one of the unsolved riddles of the police department, the classic case of successful kidnaping to which all others are compared.

Field Bugs as Toys.

The field bugs, known in America as June bugs, have resumed their place as toys for German children. An extraordinary flood of the beetles has sent hundreds of Berliners into nearby forests and fields to catch thousands of them and sell them to dealers who, in turn, retail them to fond parents and children. The bugs sell at ten for a mark now, whereas before the war a dozen could be bought for a few pfennigs. The dealer makes 300 per cent profit, those engaged in catching them declare. Farmers encourage the catching of the bugs as playthings for city children, as they are destructive to the foliage of orchards and vineyards. The unusually large plague of field bugs has revived the custom of catching them for sale for the first time since the war. An expert "catcher" usually brings in about 1,000 bugs a day. They live for about ten days as playthings.

Compulsory Error.

"You have made a few mistakes in your policies."

"I was forced to do so," replied Senator Sorghum. "On one or two occasions public opinion in my district went wrong and I was compelled either to quit or to go along with it."

BEST FUNERAL SERVICES TO BE TOMORROW MORNING AT 10

Will be Conducted by Rev. B. F. Cline At South Methodist Church—Burial at Oak Hill

Funeral services for John Best of Cheyenne, Wyo., will be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Chappell, 422 South Hester street, conducted by the Rev. B. F. Cline of the Buchanan Street Methodist Church. Burial will be in Oak Hill cemetery.

The body, accompanied by Mrs. Best and son, Dewey, eight years old, arrived in Maryville this morning via Omaha. Mr. Best was thirty years old and his death Saturday night followed complications which developed from an appendicitis operation December 11. His widow is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Chappell and they were married nine years ago.

MARKET REPORTS

Chicago, Jan. 2—CATTLE—Receipts, 7,500.
HOGS—Receipts, 31,000.
SHEEP—Receipts, 13,000.

St. Louis, Jan. 2—CATTLE—Receipts, 3,000.
HOGS—Receipts, 12,000.
SHEEP—Receipts, 1,500.

Kansas City, Jan. 2—CATTLE—Receipts, 10,000.
HOGS—Receipts, 15,000.
SHEEP—Receipts, 5,000.

St. Joseph, Jan. 2—CATTLE—Receipts, 2,500.
HOGS—Receipts, 4,000; top, $8.45.
SHEEP—Receipts, 5,000.
Hogs 15 cents higher.

TODAY'S MARKET

Eggs, per dozen	32c
Butterfat, per lb	46c
Hens, per lb	10c to 13c
Springs, per lb	9c to 12c
Roosters, per lb	5c
Ducks, per lb	11c
Geese, per lb	11c
Hides, per lb	8c

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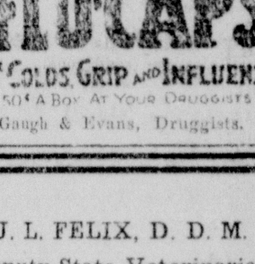

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Imperial Valley Head Lettuce, large heads 20c

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6 bars Swift's White Laundry Soap 25c

Pint jars pure Strained Honey 25c

Aunt Jemima Bran Flakes, pkg 10c

Van Camp's Chili Sauce, 8 ounce bottles 20c

Rio Coffee, per lb 20c

Butter Nut Coffee, the coffee delicious, per lb 45c

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Fresh Oysters, pint 40c

Spare Ribs, per lb 15c

Fresh Hams, whole, lb 20c

Fresh Shoulders, whole per lb 15c

Pork Steak, per lb 20c

Prime rib or shoulder Beef Roast, per lb 18c

Boneless Pork Loin Strips, per lb 35c

Pork Chops, per lb 25c

10 lb pails pure Lard, net weight $1.65

1 lb bricks Chili 20c

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WASHINGTON IS BEGINNING TO SPECULATE ON QUESTION

IF HARDING DECLINES

Senators Watson, Wadsworth and Edge Loom up—Some Possibilities in Cabinet

BY GEORGE R. HOLMES
International News Service Staff Correspondent

Washington, Jan. 2—To all those various and sundry Republican gentlemen who are casting covetous eyes on the White House in 1924—in the event Warren G. Harding should decide not to run again—it is suggested they cultivate with some assiduity three sitting members of the United States Senate to wit:

James E. Watson, of Indiana; James W. Wadsworth, of New York, and Walter E. Edge of New Jersey.

Here in the national capital, where the gods of politics sleep ever fitfully if at all, these three are in a fair way to become known as "Titanic Triumvirate" in Republican circles for the next few years at least.

No one in Washington, or elsewhere knows whether President Harding will be a candidate for a second term. It is extremely doubtful if he knows himself at this early stage of the game. But in the event he should decide to step out of the White House at the end of his term the scramble that will then ensue for his abandoned toga will be grand, glorious and stupendous.

Republican candidates for the nomination in 1924, always bearing in mind the "if" regarding Mr. Harding's plans, will be more numerous than plans for settling Europe's troubles.

In the Cabinet there are at least three potential candidates, in the Senate and House there are a dozen more, while throughout the 48 States that comprise the Union there are numerous Republican Governors who are known to cling tightly to the belief that lightning strikes in queer places sometimes.

Here's where the "Titanic Triumvirate" of Watson, Wadsworth and Edge begins to loom up.

By the turn of the wheel of politics they have become the Republican "bosses" in their respective States of Indiana, New York and New Jersey—the "Penroses" of their organizations in fact as well as in theory.

In Indiana the elimination of Senator Harry S. New in the primaries, the subsequent defeat of ex-Senator Albert J. Beveridge in the election, and the removal of Will H. Hays, have combined to leave "Jim" Watson, Republican monarch of all he surveys. No other Republicans have challenged his leadership of the State organization.

In New York the smashing defeat administered to Governor Nathan L. Miller and to Senator William L. Calder in November have removed from "Jimmy" Wadsworth's plan the only men in position to contest his leadership of New York Republicanism.

In New Jersey Senator Edge has maintained his control of south Jersey, and in addition has extended his dominance over the more populous centers of North Jersey because of the defeat of Senator Joseph S. Frelinghuysen, his Republican colleague, in November.

For the two years that remain of the present Administration all of the Federal patronage of these three important States—and it is no considerable amount—will pass through the hands of these three Senators.

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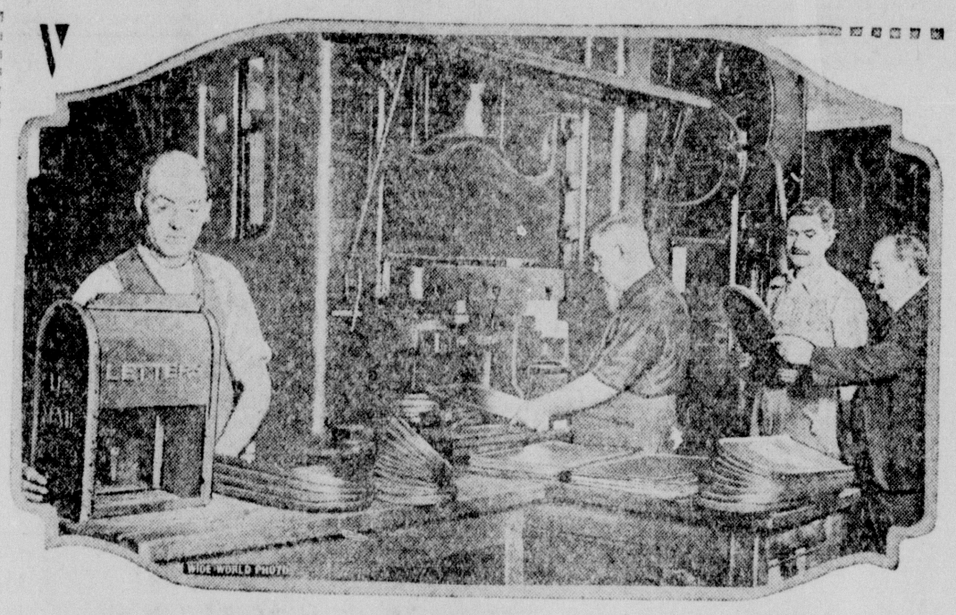

In the gun shop of the Washington navy yard they are making letter boxes for the Post Office department out of discarded shell cases and other ordnance material.

SOME OPINIONS ON THE ASSOCIATED CHARITIES

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as a unit on this and that the township would be the best unit. The township is an accustomed unit of administration as is the school district and I believe the associated charities should work with these units."

G. B. Roseberry, who has been active in Red Cross work, said in regard to the associated charities, "Personally I believe it would be a good thing. But the Red Cross officials in Washington look with disfavor upon combined benevolent drives, saying that the Red Cross loses its identity in them. D. D. Dutton, Red Cross director of Kansas City, where the Red Cross is included in the allied charity drive, says that he would not have it any other way and is strong for the combined efforts. I also believe that such work would have to be made county-wide."

"My first impression of associated charities is that it would be a good thing," said the Rev. R. E. Snodgrass of the First Christian church. I believe the collective work of all strictly community non-sectarian benevolences is a step in the right direction. The county would be the logical unit with which to work. I am strong for the county as a unit and am doing work in my church to strengthen county organization."

"From my observation of the work elsewhere," said Dr. C. C. James of the First Methodist Church, "I believe that the associated charities idea would be a good thing. People will give more to a thing that looks big and more money might be raised in a combined drive. The merchants and many people know about how much they can give for benevolences during the year and it might as well be collected at one time. Mixing the different drives as it would, it is my opinion that the whole county should go in the drive, and associated charities should be county-wide."

Miss Curfman Leaves

Miss Lula Mae Curfman left yesterday afternoon to resume her studies at Northwestern University, in Evanston, Illinois, after spending the holidays in Maryville with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Curfman. She was accompanied to St. Joseph by her father and brother, Ralph, and her cousin, Miss Mary Ruth Curfman, who motored down for the afternoon.

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The county court in session today accepted and approved the bonds of Mrs. Mamie E. Clardy as recorder of deeds and of Fred W. Smith as county clerk. Mrs. Clardy's bonds was for $5,000 while Mr. Smith's bond was for $10,000. The surieties on Smith's bond were E. E. Williams, George B. Baker and W. C. Pierce.

Miss Tobin Leaves

Miss Thelma Tobin of De Queen, Ark., who has been spending the Christmas vacation in Maryville with her grandmother, Mrs. M. Tobin, and other relatives, went to Kansas City yesterday morning to spend a few days. She will leave tomorrow for St. Charles to resume her studies at Lindenwood College.

To Visit in California

Mrs. S. J. Willard and daughter, Miss Leona Willard, accompanied by Miss Margaret Lee Winston and Miss Mary McNellis, will leave tomorrow night for Los Angeles, Cal., where they will visit for two months. They will stop in Denver, Salt Lake City and San Francisco for visits en route to Los Angeles.

Pension Granted

According to a Washington dispatch, Mary Lornson of Maryville was granted a pension.

DR. C. C. JAMES ATTENDS DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Annual Rally of Methodist Churches of the St. Joseph Districts in St. Joseph This Week.

Dr. C. C. James, pastor of the First M. E. Church of this city, left this afternoon for St. Joseph to attend the district conference and annual rally of the Methodist churches of the St. Joseph district. Several Methodist ministers over Nodaway County are expected to be in attendance at the meeting.

Bishop E. L. Waldorf of Wichita, Kan., will be present at the conference and will be a speaker at the meeting. Other speakers are Dr. C. M. Chilton, pastor of the First Christian Church of St. Joseph; Dr. C. S. Odem, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Atchison, Kan., and Dr. T. W. Jefferies of Kansas City.

Wednesday night there will be a banquet starting at 7 o'clock. Doctor Jefferies will speak after the banquet. Dr. James will not return home until Thursday noon.

Mrs. Fred DeMoss and daughter, Elizabeth, returned Sunday night from Guilford, where they spent Christmas week with the former's sisters, Mrs. J. A. McLean and Mrs. Carl Wray, and their families.

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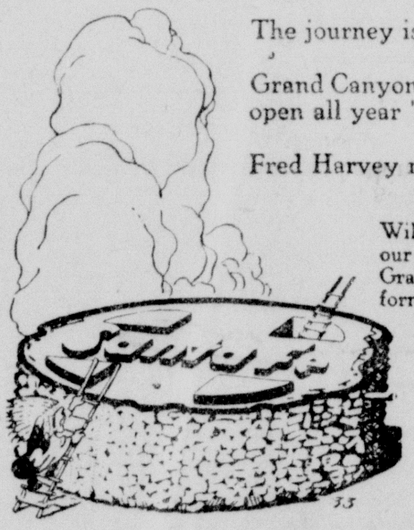

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